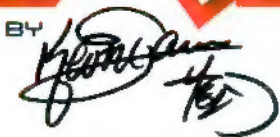


#9

A NEW VISION BY KEVIN LAU

VAMPIRELLA

BY 

LAU
CONWAY
TAM



vampirella.com





VAMPI™

UNDERWORLD PART THREE

DAVID CONWAY WRITER

KEVIN LAU PENCILER

ALAN TAM INKER

SHANE LAW & AVALON STUDIOS COLORISTS

MICHAEL CONLEY & KELL-O GRAPHICS LETTERING

NICOLE WILEY ASSISTANT EDITOR

DAVID BOGART EDITOR

THE PAST



Chaos erupts as the Dead Presidents take their race war to the floor of an underground music club. In an effort to protect her friends, Vampi reveals she's more than human when she knocks a President to the floor with one punch.

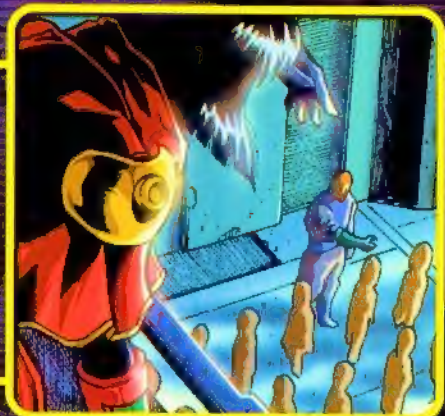
As her friends attempt to band together for protection, they still can't keep Uncle Sam from attacking.

Now, with Vampi lying unconscious on the floor, the strongest link in their chain has become the weakest.



THE PRESENT

Vampi has taken the greatest risk possible. In a weakened state, she has entered the Meat Boutique to stop Archangel and Endura from inflicting unnamable cruelty upon hundreds of children. As she watches from the eaves, preparing to strike, she realizes that she didn't know real evil until that point.



But Endura is watching, enjoying the spectacle. After all, this is part of her plan. Vampi bravely defends herself against the guards, but her real battle is yet to begin. When she finally arrives, weak and hungry at Endura's chamber, she confronts another kind of torture—the temptation to drink an innocent person's blood.



The victim Endura has prepared is just what Vampi needs to restore herself after battle. But just as she's about to bite, she spots her reflection in the young boy's eyes and sees what she's become—another version of her own enemies. Forsaking the blood she so desperately needs, Vampi chooses the high ground... and collapses at Endura's feet.





...ME.



PROGRESS
REPORT,
ENDURA.

EVERYTHING
IS GOING
ACCORDING TO PLAN,
ARCHANGEL.

SHE'S
PRACTICALLY
REVERTED
ALREADY.

IMPRESSIVE.

I WOULD BE
PRESENT MYSELF,
BUT I'M REQUIRED
ELSEWHERE...

SO, JACOB'S MOST
POWERFUL WEAPON
IS NOW IN OUR HANDS.

UNFORTUNATE--
FOR HIM.

BECAUSE
WEAPONS ARE
NEUTRAL...

... AND THIS
HOLOGRAPHIC
PROJECTION IS
AS CLOSE AS I CAN
GET TO BEING IN
TWO PLACES
AT ONCE.

... THE REAL POWER
LIES WITH WHOEVER
CONTROLS THEM.





... AND
ADDICTION
IS THE PERFECT
CONTROL
MECHANISM.

JACOB
CONTROLLED
HER WITH THE
PROMISE OF A
CURE.

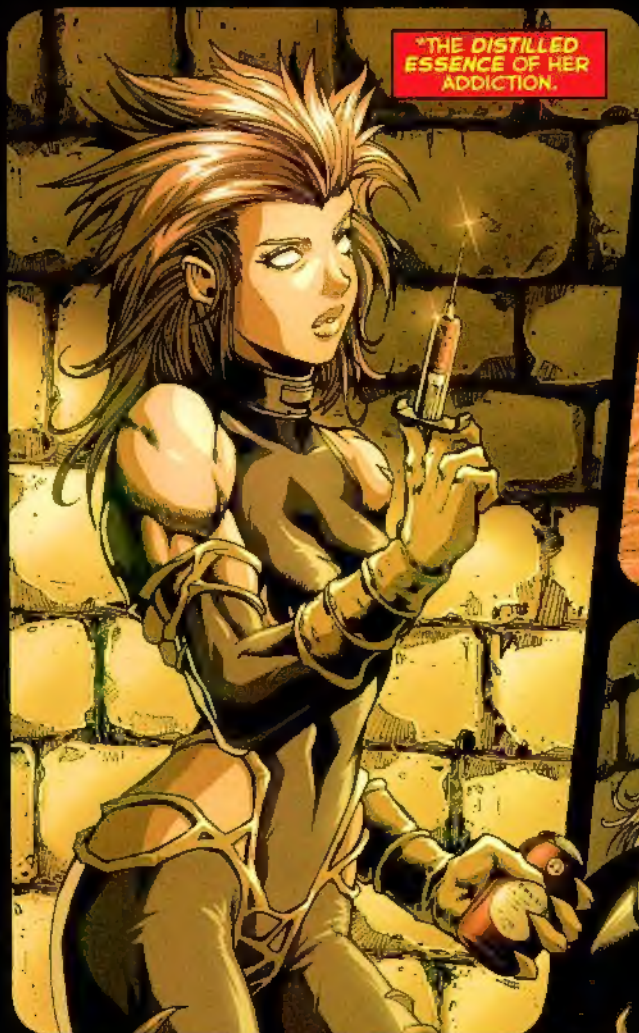
"THE LADDER
ISOLATED THE GENE
RESPONSIBLE FOR
HER ADDICTION.



"FROM HER OWN
BLOOD IT SYNTHESISED
THE CURE ...

"... A SUBSTANCE
I CALL THE
ALPHA COMPLEX...

"... FROM THERE
WE SYNTHESIZED THE
OMEGA COMPLEX."



*THE DISTILLED
ESSENCE OF HER
ADDICTION.



*THE ULTIMATE
TRUTH SERUM.



*IT EXPOSED
JACOB'S LIES.



*AND MADE HER
FACE THE TRUTH...



*THE TRUTH
ABOUT HERSELF.*



"HOW COULD
SHE DENY IT?"



"THIS IS WHAT
SHE IS."



-- ANY MORE THAN
SHE CAN REJECT HER
OWN BLOOD.

SHE'S
OURS
NOW.



SHE CAN'T
REJECT HER
ADDICTION...



NOT EVEN PAIN
CAN DISTRACT ME.

ALL I SEE IS
BLOOD.

IT'S NOT A
QUESTION OF
IF I'LL SUBMIT...

BUT
WHEN...

...IT'S JUST A
MATTER OF TIME.



IT'S OVER
FORTY EIGHT HOURS
SINCE VAMPI MADE
CONTACT.

THE QUESTION
IS: WHAT DO WE
DO ABOUT IT,
DUVAL?

THE MEAT
BOUTIQUE'S A
FORTRESS,
JACOB.
A RESCUE
OPERATION WOULD
BE COSTLY.

AND NOT JUST
FINANCIALLY--
CONSIDER
THE POTENTIAL LOSS
OF MATERIAL AND
HUMAN ASSETS.



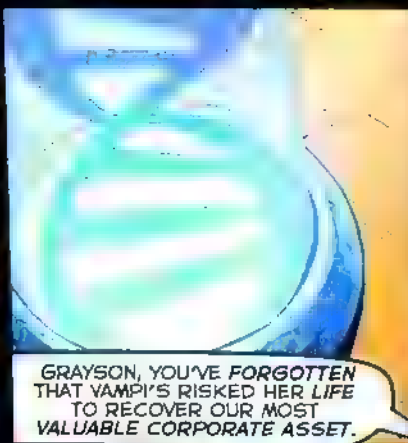
I DON'T
CARE WHAT IT
COSTS.

VAMPI TAKES
PRIORITY OVER
EVERYTHING.

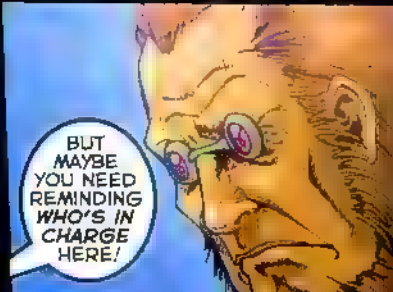


FORGET YOUR
PERSONAL FEELINGS.
BIOCORP IS A
BUSINESS.

YOUR
OBSESSION WITH
HER BORDERS ON THE
PATHOLOGICAL.



GRAYSON, YOU'VE FORGOTTEN
THAT VAMPI'S RISKED HER LIFE
TO RECOVER OUR MOST
VALUABLE CORPORATE ASSET.



BUT
MAYBE
YOU NEED
REMINING
WHO'S IN
CHARGE
HERE!



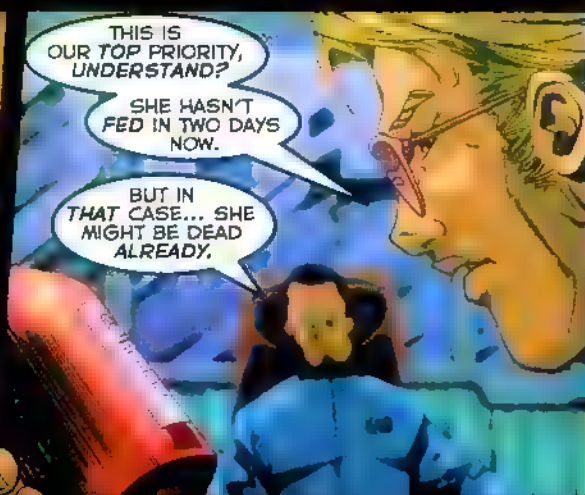
IF I SAY
WE RESCUE VAMPI,
THEN THAT'S WHAT
WE DO!

ANYONE
ELSE HAVE A
PROBLEM WITH
THAT?

NO,
JACOB--YOU'RE
THE BOSS.



BUT AN
OPERATION
LIKE THIS
TAKES TIME
TO
ORGANIZE.



THIS IS
OUR TOP PRIORITY,
UNDERSTAND?

SHE HASN'T
FED IN TWO DAYS
NOW.

BUT IN
THAT CASE... SHE
MIGHT BE DEAD
ALREADY.



THAT'S A
POSSIBILITY.
BUT
IT COULD BE
WORSE.



WORSE
THAN
DEATH?

SHE
FEEDS
ON BLOOD,
DUVAL.



THE LONGER
SHE GOES WITHOUT
SERUM, THE GREATER THE
DANGER SHE'LL REVERT
TO WHAT SHE WAS...

AND
WHAT WAS
SHE?



VERMIN!



SUBHUMAN
FILTH!



BETRAY
YOUR OWN RACE TO
MONGRELS?!



YOU'RE
NO BETTER
THAN A PARASITE
YOURSELF!

YOU
SICK
BASTARD.

WHAT THE
HELL'S WRONG
WITH YOU?



BETTER
WORRY 'BOUT
WHAT'S GONNA BE
WRONG WITH YOU!



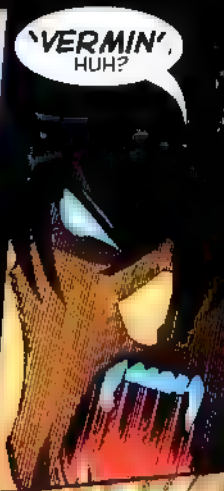
WE'VE GOT
LIKE A SECOND
HERE.

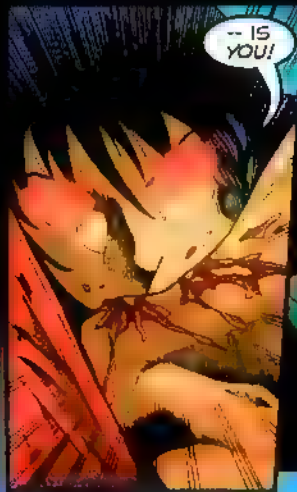
YOU SURE
YOU CAN DO
THIS?

XXXXXXXXXX

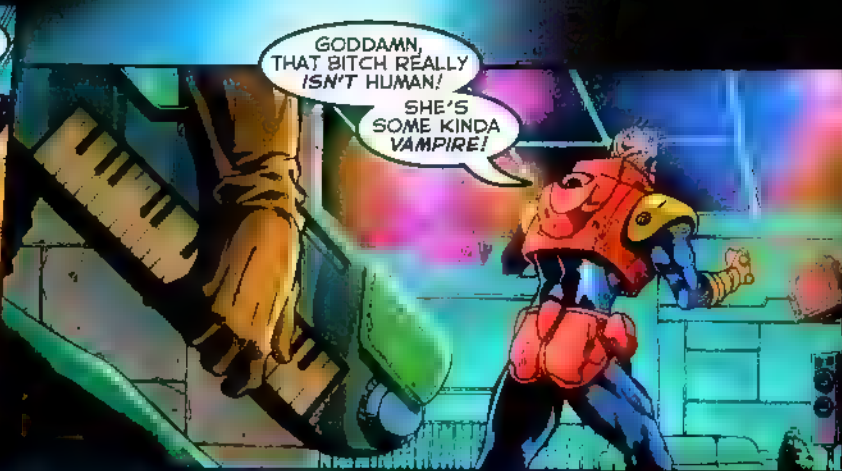


THAT'S
A 'YES',
MIKI.





-- IS
YOU!



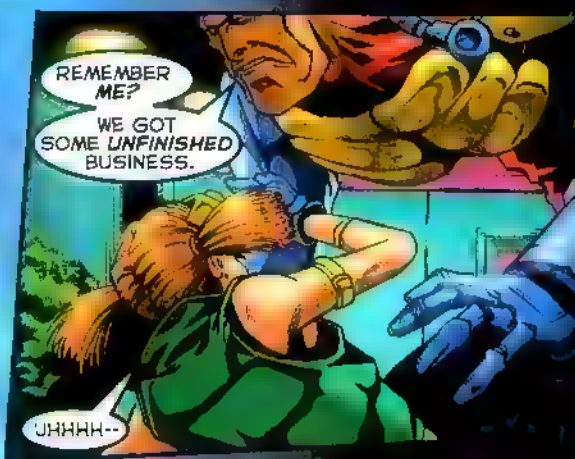
GODDAMN,
THAT BITCH REALLY
ISN'T HUMAN!

SHE'S
SOME KINDA
VAMPIRE!



SO--?

-- YOU
BOTHERED
BY THE SIGHT OF
BLOOD?!



REMEMBER
ME?

WE GOT
SOME UNFINISHED
BUSINESS.

UH--



VAMPI!



HELP!



**come
and get it**

stop by
vampirella.com
and download
your **free**
animated vampi
screensaver

VAMPIRELLA

show your friends
and family how much
you love Vampi

works on any PC

be the first on your block to get it

vampirella.com



**"IT'S ALL ABOUT JUST
GETTING DOWN TO
TELLING SOME VERY SEXY,
VERY VIOLENT STORIES."**

-MARK MILLAR

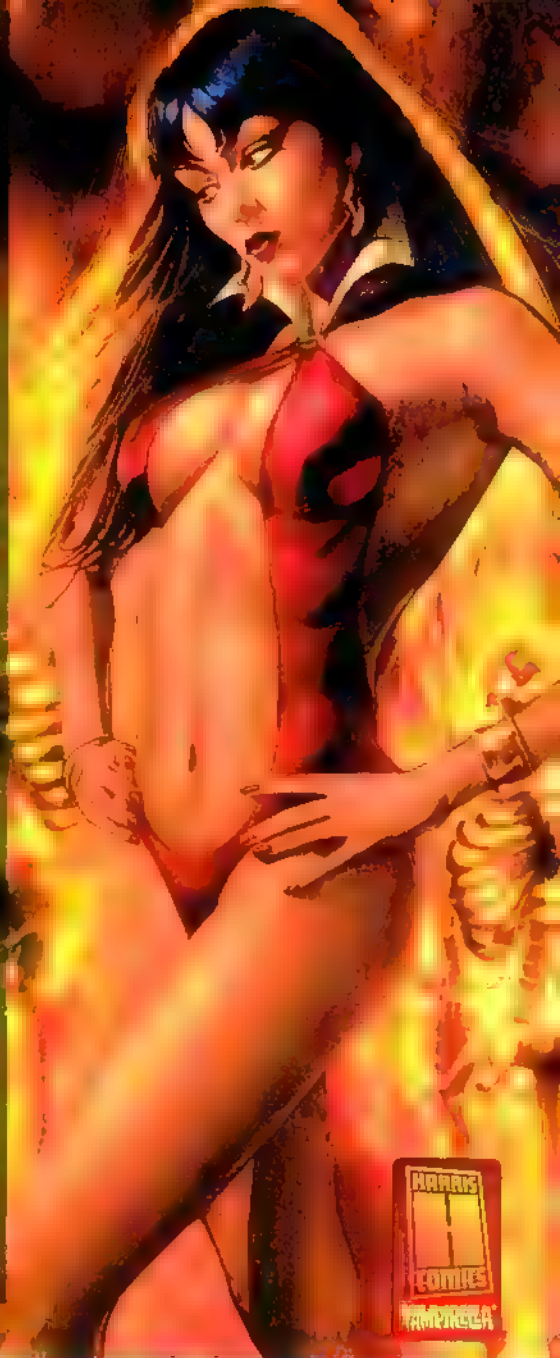
**WITH THE INDUSTRY'S MOST DEMANDED WRITER, AND THE
MOST INCREDIBLE ARTIST SHE'S EVER HAD—VAMPIRELLA—
IS BACK AND SHE'S HOTTER THAN EVER.**

**MARK MILLAR, THE BRAINS BEHIND ULTIMATE X-MEN AND
THE AUTHORITY, ESTABLISHES VAMPIRELLA AS THE COOLEST
FEMME FATALE OF THE 21ST CENTURY.**

**"I'M INSPIRED BY THE CURRENT DRIVE TO MAKE COMICS
ACCESSIBLE TO NEW READERS...IN MANY WAYS, WHAT I'M
SHOOTING FOR WITH THESE FIRST THREE ISSUES IS ULTIMATE
VAMPIRELLA. IT'S ALL ABOUT JUST GETTING DOWN TO
TELLING SOME VERY SEXY, VERY VIOLENT STORIES."**

**BRINGING MILLAR'S WRITING TO LIFE IS MIKE MAYHEW,
WHOSE ARTWORK CAN BEST BE DESCRIBED AS AN INCREDI-
BLE MIX BETWEEN ALEX ROSS AND JAY ANACLETO.**

**NEED MORE FUEL FOR THE FIRE? VAMPIRELLA WILL BE
OFFERED WITH FOUR VARIANT COVERS BY THE INDUSTRY'S
TOP ARTISTS — MAYHEW, J. SCOTT CAMPBELL, JAY
ANACLETO, AND JAE LEE — AND EACH WILL BE EQUALLY
AVAILABLE AT COVER PRICE.**



**VAMPIRELLA SETS THE SUMMER
ABLAZE!**



SON OF A BITCH!

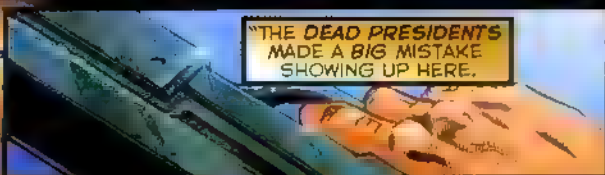
GOD-DAMN VAMPI-- FEELS LIKE SHE BROKE MY JAW.



"I SHOULD KICK HER ASS FOR THIS.



BUT FIRST THINGS FIRST.



"THE DEAD PRESIDENTS MADE A BIG MISTAKE SHOWING UP HERE.



WHAT THE HELL-- SOUNDS LIKE AN AUTOMATIC...

... A GODDAMNED HK!






NO!




YOU WANNA SAVE YOUR FRIEND?

I'LL GIVE YOU ONE CHANCE.



YOU DIG
BLOOD?--LICK
HERS UP!




IF I'M
FEELING
GENEROUS, I
MIGHT LET YOU
BOTH GO.



LICK
IT!




GET AWAY
FROM HER-- YOU
BASTARD!



WELL,
WHADDYA
KNOW...

...IT'S THE
CAVALRY!

I CAN
TELL YOU'RE
SINCERE,
KID...



...BUT IT'S A
LITTLE LATE FOR
A RESCUE.

IT'S
OVER.

SHE CAN'T
FIGHT THE
INEVITABLE.



BUT JACOB STILL
THINKS HE CAN
SAVE HER.



ACCORDING TO MY
BIOCROP SOURCE, HE'S
OBSESSED WITH HER.



HE MIGHT
EVEN BELIEVE
HE LOVES HER.

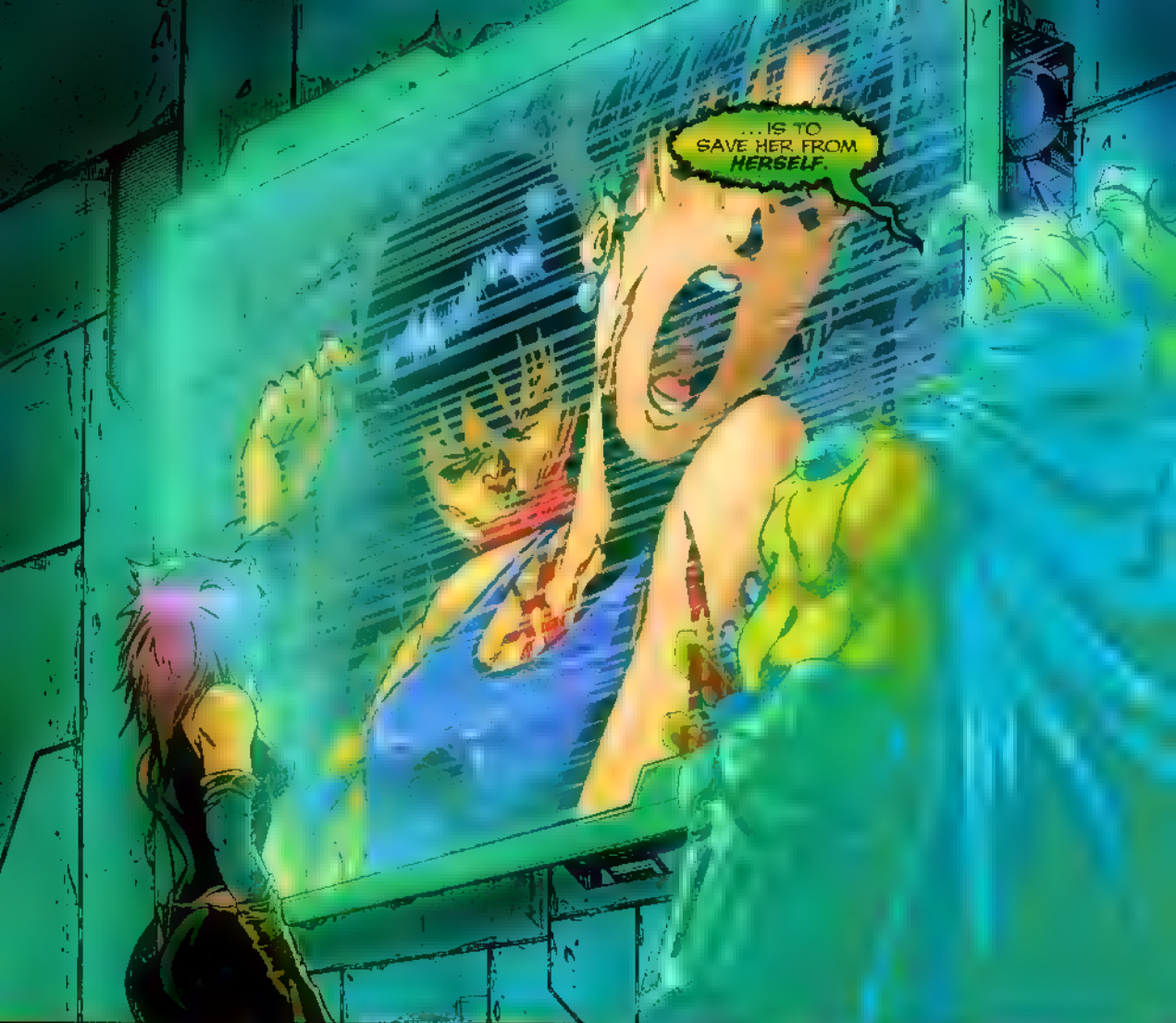




IF ONLY
JACOB
COULD SEE
HER NOW.

PERHAPS HE'D
APPRECIATE
THE IRONY.

THE ONLY
WAY TO SAVE
HER NOW...



TO BE CONTINUED...

VAMPI™

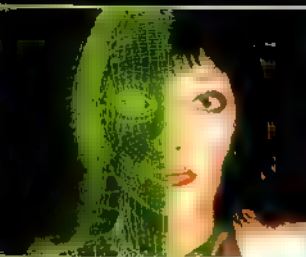
& KEVIN LAU
HAVE A NEW HOME...



ANARCHY™ STUDIOS

NOW THERE ARE NO RULES!

LOOK FOR THESE UPCOMING TITLES FROM ANARCHY STUDIOS



VAMPI DIGITAL/ANARCHY
PREVIEW EDITION #1
ON SALE IN JUNE



VAMPI DIGITAL #1
ON SALE IN JULY



VAMPI: TAINTED LOVE PART 1
ON SALE IN AUGUST



LOOK FOR KEVIN'S NEWEST
PROJECTS IN THE FUTURE

VAMPI™ ANARCHY STUDIOS™ trademarks of Kevin Publications, Inc. All Rights Reserved. All characters appearing herein © 1999 Kevin Publications, Inc.

VAMPI WANTS YOU! TO JOIN THE VAMPI FAN CLUB

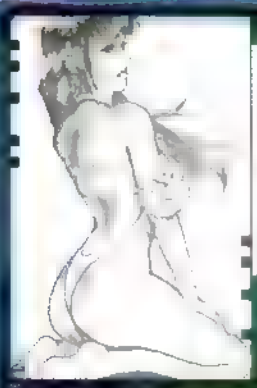
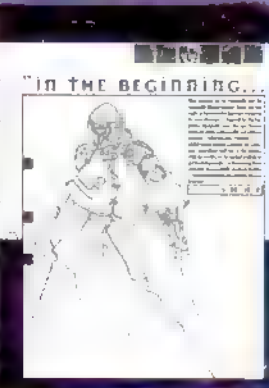
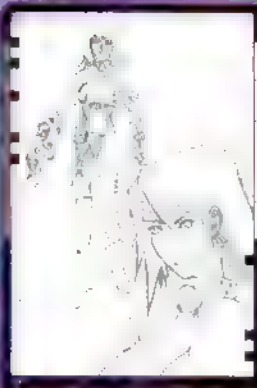
**JOIN NOW! TO GET THESE
EXCLUSIVE GOODIES:**
KEVIN LAU SKETCHBOOK*,
ALL-NEW ASHCAN,
POSTER, NEWSLETTER,
HOLD-CHROME CARD,
& MEMBERSHIP CARD!



**ATTENTION! THE DELUXE
FAN CLUB INCLUDES A SIGNED
ASHCAN AND SKETCHBOOK!**



**CHECK OUT THE
MAKING OF VAMPI
IN THE KEVIN LAU
SKETCHBOOK! IT'S
PACKED WITH TONS OF
CHARACTER DESIGNS,
CONCEPT SKETCHES,
AND NEVER-BEFORE-
SEEN ARTWORK!**



***RED ALERT! THE SKETCHBOOK
IS ONLY AVAILABLE THROUGH
THIS FAN CLUB OFFER!**

**FAX YOUR ORDER!
(212) 620-7787**

SEND THIS ENTIRE PAGE ON PHOTO COPY.
MAKE PAYMENT PAYABLE TO HARRIS MOORE, LTD.
*Shipping and handling charges extra. All orders subject to availability. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____
STATE _____
ZIP _____ PHONE (WITH AREA CODE) _____
I AM PAYING BY
CHECK ☐ MONEY ORDER ☐ VISA ☐ MC ☐
CARD # _____ EXP. DATE _____
SIGNATURE _____

SEND YOUR ORDER TO:
VAMPI FAN CLUB
1115 BROADWAY 8TH FL.
NEW YORK, NY 10010

Vampi Fan Club	\$19.95	
Deluxe Vampi Fan Club	\$39.95	
Shipping & Handling (US)		\$3.95
NYS residents add 8.25% tax		
Total		

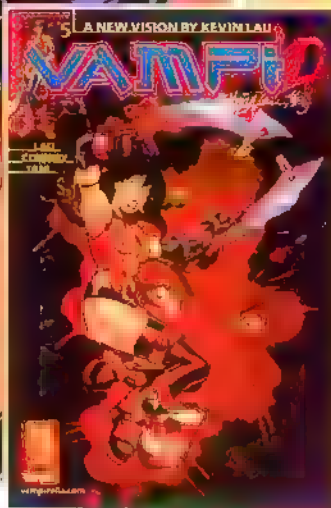
FIRE AWAY!

SET YOUR
SIGHTS ON THIS
SPECTACULAR
NEW VAMPI
MERCHANDISE!



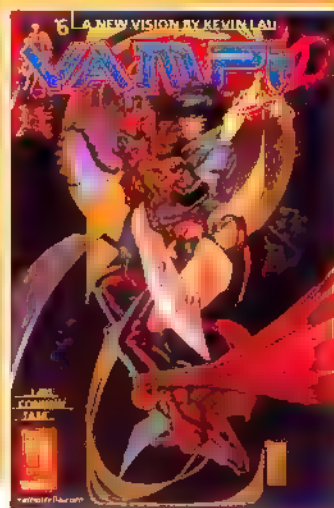
VAMPI #4 DAVID FINCH LIMITED EDITION

Vampi looks like she just worked up a sweat kicking some bad guy butt on this hot alternate by David Finch. Limited to only 1000 copies. \$9.95



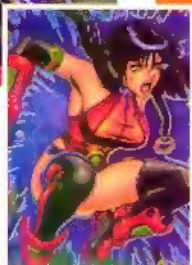
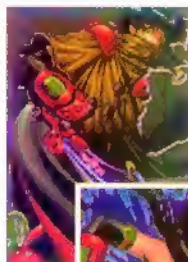
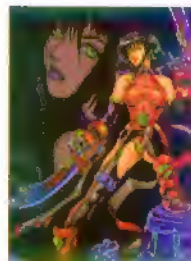
VAMPI #5 MIKE WEIRINGO LIMITED EDITION

Check out this sizzling alternate! Vampi leaps off this cover by Mike Weiringo! Limited to only 1000 copies. \$9.95



VAMPI #6 KEU CHA LIMITED EDITION

Keu Cha is the latest to try his hand at the first lady of vampires. Limited to only 1000 copies. \$9.95



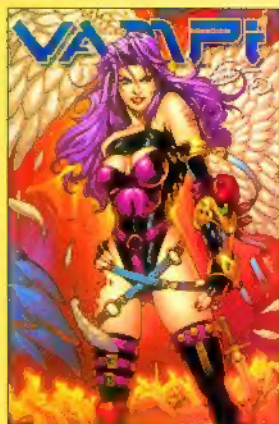
VAMPI METALCARD SET

Check out these 5 kickin' cards by Vampi artist Kevin Lau. Cards come in a protective hard plastic case. A bargain for only \$9.95!



VAMPI #1 & #2 CHROME EDITIONS

The first two issues of the new series, with a shiny, wrap-around chrome covers! Limited to only 2000 copies a piece! \$14.95 each



VAMPI ASHCANS

UNDERWORLD ASHCAN

Get the inside scoop on the next VAMPI story arc. The ashcan features exclusive highlights and information on the future of the VAMPI saga! Just 1500 copies! \$5.95

UNDERWORLD LEATHER ASHCAN

The cool feel of leather and the hot touch of VAMPI! Limited to 500 copies. \$14.95



SEND YOUR ORDER TO:
VAMPI LIMITED PREMIUMS
1115 BROADWAY 8TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10010

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP PHONE (WITH AREA CODE)

I AM PAYING BY

CHECK ☐ MONEY ORDER ☐ VISA ☐ MC ☐

CARD # EXP DATE

SIGNATURE

Item	Quantity	Price
Vampi #4 Finch Limited Edition		\$9.95
Vampi #5 'Ringo Limited Edition		\$9.95
Vampi #6 Cha Limited Edition		\$9.95
Vampi #1 Chrome Edition		\$14.95
Vampi #2 Chrome Edition		\$14.95
Vampi Metal Card Set		\$9.95
Vampi Underworld Ashcan		\$5.95
Underworld Ashcan-Leather Edition		\$14.95
Shipping & Handling (US)		\$3.50
NY state residents add 8.25% tax		
Total		

FAX YOUR ORDER! (212) 620-7787

SEND THIS ENTIRE PAGE OR PHOTOCOPY.
MAKE PAYMENT PAYABLE TO HARRIS HOUSE, LTD.

Canadian orders add \$5.00 US. Foreign orders add \$10.00 US. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

HARRIS COMICS

JONATHAN RHEINGOLD Executive Publisher

DAVID BOGART Editor-in-Chief

YOSHI AINO Associate Publisher

NICOLE WILEY Managing Editor

MATT TIERNEY @VOLTAGE DESIGN Designer

JASON BRIGHTMAN Web Designer

IVAN REYNOSO Designer

SETH BIEDERMAN Collectibles Manager

VINCENT BURICH Marketing Assistant

KEVIN LAU Cover Artist

BRIAN HABERLIN & HABERLIN STUDIOS Cover Colorist

JOE BENITEZ & JOE WEEMS Alternate Cover Artists

SHANE LAUD & HABERLIN STUDIOS Alternate Cover Colorist

FOR HARRIS PUBLICATIONS

President & Publisher

STANLEY HARRIS

Chief Financial Officer

WARREN SHERMAN

Production Director

ROY MOSNY

Director of Pre-Press

PHIL DHOM

EDITORIAL OFFICES

1115 Broadway, New York, NY 10010

ph: 212-607-7100 • fax: 212-620-7767

email: comics@harris-pub.com

NEXT ISSUE...



CLOSE

Vampi #9 is published by Harris Publications, Inc., 1115 Broadway, New York, NY 10010. © 2001 Harris Publications, Inc. All rights reserved, including the right of reproduction in whole or in part in any form. Printed in Canada. VAMPI™, and all prominent characters appearing herein and the likeness thereof are trademarks of Harris Publications, Inc.

First printing/May 2001

Harris Comics welcomes submission of letters, original art or stories from our readers and fans. All fan submissions should be addressed to Harris at 1115 Broadway, 8th Floor, New York, New York 10010, Attention: FAN SUBMISSION DEPT. By submitting material of any kind, you grant, or warrant that the owner of such material has expressly granted to Harris the perpetual, irrevocable, royalty-free, non-exclusive right and license to use, publish, excerpt or otherwise edit, translate and distribute such material (in whole or in part) worldwide for the full term of any copyright that may exist in such material.

ANARCHY STUDIOS PRESENTS:

VAMPI

DIGITAL #1

VAMPI
ENTERS
THE
DIGITAL
AGE...



AND COMICS
WILL NEVER
BE THE SAME.

FULLY-RENDERED 3D COMIC!



NOW THERE ARE
NO RULES!

VAMPI™

UNDERWORLD PART THREE



VAMPI #9

\$2.95 US • \$4.25 CANADA • MAY 2001

Harris Comics is a Division of Harris Publications, Inc. Printed in Canada.